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SUBJECT: NATO MULTILATERAL EXAMINATIONS - DENMARK

REF: A. USNATO 5838; B. USNATO 5817; C. USNATO 5144;

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1. IN GENERAL, WE BELIEVE ALL COUNTRY CHAPTERS SHOULD INCLUDE COVERAGE OF ANY PROGRAM, OR LACK THEREOF, IN SIX FIELDS OF BASIC ISSUES. WE ALSO WISH TO HAVE A DISCUSSION OF INTER-OPERABILITY OF COMMUNICATIONS WITH FRG FORCES IN DENMARK; WITH SUPPORTING AIR AND CONFIDENTIAL

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NAVAL FORCES OF OTHER COUNTRIES; AND INTERNALLY AMONG

DANISH ARMY, NAVY AND AIR FORCES.

2. WE WOULD APPRECIATE DETAILED COVERAGE OF DISCUSSIONS EXPECTED AS A RESULT OF DANISH BRIEFINGS ON THE RECRUITMENT OF VOLUNTEERS AS WELL AS DANISH VIEWS ON REINFORCEMENT PROBLEMS (REF B).

3. IN ADDITION TO MISSION PROPOSALS IN PARA 3, REF C, SUGGEST MISSION RAISE FOLLOWING ADDITIONAL POINTS AT EXAMINATION:

A. TABLE II OF THE DANISH REPLY TO DPQ-74 INCLUDES A SECURITY FORCES TOTAL OF 52,000 ARMY AND 11,400

AIR FORCE PERSONNEL ON ACTIVE DUTY AT YEARS END IN ADDITION TO THE MAIN FORCES STRENGTH. QUESTIONS: ARE THESE PERSONNEL IN ACTIVE UNITS ON A FULL-TIME BASIS? WHAT TRAINING DO THEY UNDERGO? HOW ARE THEY EQUIPPED? DO THESE PERSONNEL CONSTITUTE THE HOME GUARD? FYI: THE SIZE OF THESE SECURITY FORCES APPEARS TO BE CONSIDERABLY LARGER THAN THE DANISH REGULAR FORCES. IF THESE PERSONNEL ARE ACTIVE IN UNITS ON A FULL-TIME BASIS, IT WOULD APPEAR THAT THE DANES WOULD TAKE CREDIT FOR THEM IN ADDITION TO THEIR REGULAR FORCES. END FYI.

B. COULD DANISH AUTHORITIES ELABORATE SOMEWHAT ON THE IMPLICATIONS FOR DANISH DEFENSE OF THE TEMPORARY CANCELLATION OF ALL PUBLIC CONSTRUCTION WORKS? CAN THEY ESTIMATE APPROXIMATELY HOW LONG THIS EMBARGO OR CONDITION WILL PREVAIL? WHAT TYPE OF NATIONAL INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECTS ARE AFFECTED? WILL THERE BE ANY EFFECT ON NATO INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECTS?

C. REGARDING COMPENSATORY MEASURES INCLUDED IN 1973-76 DANISH DEFENSE REORGANIZATION PLAN, CAN DANES SPELL OUT (1) EQUIPMENT MODERNIZATION PROCUREMENT AND (2) IMPROVED MANPOWER UTILIZATION. IN ADDITION, CAN THE DANES CLARIFY THEIR STATED PLAN TO CONTINUE TO MAINTAIN DEFENSE SPENDING IN THE

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